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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
BUREAU OF THE BUDGET
Washington 25, D. C.

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My dear Senator Dworshak:

In your letter of September 2, 1957, you suggested that we give careful screening to the operations of the Central Intelligence Agency so that it will be operating in conformity with other agencies, and that the Central Intelligence Agency be included in the scope of revised financial operations in this fiscal year.

Because of the sensitive nature of the Central Intelligence Agency's work, special authorities have been granted by law to provide the necessary security to its operations. Within this legislative framework we have developed special procedures in the Executive branch governing the presentation of estimates by CIA, the apportionment of funds to them, and fiscal reviews. These procedures are designed to insure an examination and review of CIA programs and to maintain proper security safeguards.

The fiscal and personnel policies adopted for the Government as a whole have been applied equally to the Central Intelligence Agency. This will be continued during fiscal year 1958 and in the preparation of the Budget for fiscal year 1959.

I appreciate your interest in this matter. While it is difficult to evaluate programs in this area as satisfactorily as in some others, we are continually pressing for internal reappraisals and improvements.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Percival F. Brundage

Director

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